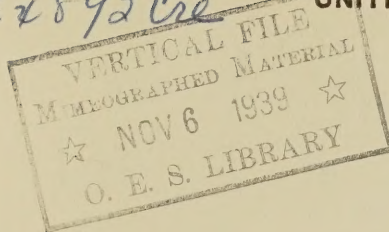
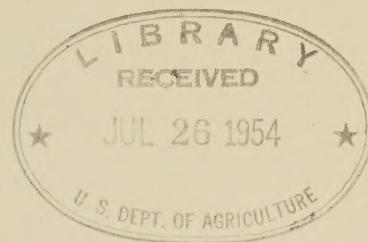


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Circular Letter  
Rural Electrification, No. 9

October 30, 1939.

TO STATE EXTENSION DIRECTORS:

The Membership Activity which the Rural Electrification Administration is sponsoring to complete enrollment on REA financed projects, mentioned in my letter of October 20, 1939, is now in progress. A series of regional REA conferences has just been held at which a specific area - usually one State - was assigned to each REA field representative as that representative's responsibility in the Membership Activity.

Each representative has been asked to arrange a State conference to which all REA project superintendents, managers, and board members will be invited. As was indicated in my previous letter, the REA has instructed these representatives to call on you to arrange for the cooperation of the Extension Service in your State. The REA hopes that State Extension Service representatives and county agricultural and home demonstration agents from counties having REA projects will be authorized and encouraged by you to attend this State conference if at all feasible.

REA officials have also expressed the hope that you and other extension representatives designated by you will discuss the profitable use of electricity on farms at this conference. It would be helpful if you could assign someone on your staff to assemble available information useful to county extension workers in giving advice to the membership committees of local REA cooperatives. It has also been suggested that the county agricultural and home demonstration agents serve in an advisory capacity on these membership committees. They are, of course, not expected to solicit memberships.

I trust that you will find it possible to arrange for the active cooperation of the Extension Service in these efforts.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "C. W. Warburton".

C. W. Warburton,  
Director of Extension Work.

